

SENATE BILL 257

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By: **Senator Colburn**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Talbot County – Participation in High School Athletic Programs**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing certain students to participate in certain interscholastic
4 athletic activities of other schools in Talbot County under certain
5 circumstances; requiring a student to transfer to a certain school under certain
6 circumstances; providing that a student’s participation in a certain
7 interscholastic athletic activity at other schools may ~~require the schools’ change~~
8 ~~of certain classifications; requiring a certain school to change a certain~~
9 ~~classification under certain circumstances;~~ requiring certain parents or
10 guardians of certain students to provide transportation under certain
11 circumstances to other schools in Talbot County at the expense of the parents or
12 guardians; prohibiting the Talbot County Board of Education from being
13 required to pay for or provide certain transportation for certain students; and
14 generally relating to participation in high school athletic programs.

15 BY adding to

16 Article – Education

17 Section 4–127

18 Annotated Code of Maryland

19 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Education**

4 **4–127.**

5 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN TALBOT COUNTY.

6 (B) A STUDENT WHO RESIDES IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL ATTENDANCE
7 AREA OF ONE PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY MAY PARTICIPATE
8 IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ACTIVITY AT ANOTHER PUBLIC SECONDARY
9 SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY IF THAT ATHLETIC ACTIVITY IS NOT OFFERED AT THE
10 PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE STUDENT’S GEOGRAPHICAL ATTENDANCE
11 AREA.

12 (C) (1) ~~THE SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE~~
13 STUDENT MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE ATHLETIC ACTIVITY WITHOUT
14 TRANSFERRING FROM THAT ONE PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL TO THE PUBLIC
15 SECONDARY SCHOOL OUTSIDE THE STUDENT’S GEOGRAPHICAL ATTENDANCE
16 AREA.

17 (2) IF A PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IS NOT AT CAPACITY, THE
18 STUDENT SHALL TRANSFER TO THE PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL OUTSIDE THE
19 STUDENT’S GEOGRAPHICAL ATTENDANCE AREA IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN
20 THE ATHLETIC ACTIVITY.

21 (D) ~~(1) A STUDENT’S PARTICIPATION IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC~~
22 ~~ATHLETIC ACTIVITY AT ANOTHER PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY~~
23 ~~DOES NOT MAY CHANGE THE REQUIRE THE CHANGE OF CHANGE THE~~
24 ~~CLASSIFICATION OF EITHER SCHOOL UNDER REGULATIONS AND POLICIES OF~~
25 ~~THE MARYLAND PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION~~
26 ~~UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.~~

27 ~~(2) IF THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS REQUIRED TO TRANSFER TO A~~
28 ~~PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF THIS SECTION~~
29 ~~RAISES THE SCHOOL’S OVERALL ENROLLMENT TO A NUMBER ABOVE THE~~
30 ~~MINIMUM NUMBER REQUIRED FOR THE NEXT CLASSIFICATION UNDER THE~~
31 ~~REGULATIONS AND POLICIES OF THE MARYLAND PUBLIC SECONDARY~~
32 ~~SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, THE SCHOOL SHALL BE REQUIRED TO~~
33 ~~CHANGE ITS CLASSIFICATION.~~

34 (E) (1) A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A STUDENT WHO PARTICIPATES
35 IN AN INTERSCHOLASTIC ACTIVITY AT ANOTHER PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL

1 IN THE COUNTY AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL
2 PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO THE OTHER SCHOOL AT THE EXPENSE OF THE
3 PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

4 (2) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO PAY FOR OR
5 PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR THE STUDENT TO THE OTHER SCHOOL.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 June 1, 2012.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.